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Ref: 1436-21311

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
KK Zone, Reservoir A
West Lake Verret FIELD
St. Martin Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Petrohawk Operating Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Petrohawk Operation Company** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the KK Zone, Reservoir A, in the West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 192 acres for the KK Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the KK RA SUA, West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate a unit operator and unit well for the unit created herein;

5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoirs as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The KK Zone, Reservoir A in the West Lake Verret Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the measured depths of 10,822 feet and 10,926 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Mission Resources Corporation-Burdin ST U4 No. 2-D Well, Section 15, Township 14 South, Range 12 East, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated February 17, 2006 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 10, 2006. It was stated at that time that this conference would be held only if a request to confer were received by the undersigned within ten (10) calendar days after the date of the pre-application notice. No requests to confer were received either in writing or by telephone and, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively scheduled conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.


Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the KK RA SUA, West Lake Verret Field, St. Martin Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Leon Comeaux of Leon Comeaux & Associates, P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, La 70505 (337) 233-9839.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


William F. Bailey

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners,
Represented Parties and Interested Parties

